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WATERFRONT ITEMS YESTERDAY

THE USUAL FLEET OF VESSELS MOVING UP AND DOWN THE COLUMBIA RIVER—OTHER INTERESTING ITEMS.

Says the Coos Bay Times: Not a few of Captain Olson's friends were awaiting for him this morning when the Alliance drew up to anchor in Coos Bay. "Congratulations," "How is Mrs. Olson," "Where is Mrs. Olson" and "Is there really and truly a Mrs. Olson," were a few of the rapid fire expressions that greeted him as a score or more rushed forward to grasp his hand.

"There's nothing to it yet and I wish I knew who started the report," retorted Captain Olson, smiling despite the bother that had been occasioned by someone starting the report that he was secretly wed in Portland a few weeks ago.

While everyone here is willing to vouch for the truth and veracity of Captain Olson's statements, ordinarily, some claim that under circumstances like the present ones, it might be possible for him to deviate slightly now and they are still wondering whether or not there is really a Mrs. Olson.

The owners of the steamer Breakwater have chartered the City of Panama to place in regular commission between Portland and Coos Bay, while the former is being repaired. Announcement is made by the Portland & Coos Bay Steamship Co. that the Panama will arrive in Portland from San Francisco the early part of next week, to go out on the Breakwater's run. As near as it can be judged by those who have looked her over, it will take close to two months to make the necessary repairs to the Breakwater. The work to her will be done at San Francisco. She started down the river last night.

A dispatch from San Pedro says the steamer Roanoke arrived from Portland with 45 passengers and 850 tons of freight. The Roanoke reported rough weather and heavy seas. On the voyage, crossig the bar at Eureka, the Roanoke shipped a heavy sea which tore away a part of her rail and did minor damage to her house.

The contract for the completion of the repairs of the steamer Lurline called for the work to be done not later than June 20. It is understood the contractor, who has not yet finished the job, is now paying \$15 a day penalty money for the delay, and the work may not be completed for a week or two yet.

The steamer Northland arrived in yesterday from San Francisco with 180 tons of salt on board for the Union Fishermen's Co-operative Co. of Astoria.

The British steamer Ascot with a partial load of lumber for Sydney obtained at Eureka, arrived here yesterday and will finish loading here.

The oil tank steamer Maverick with cargo for the Standard Oil Co. left up the river yesterday.

The George W. Elder leaves out this morning at 5 o'clock on her trip down the coast.

The Dreadnaught of the United States life saving service was in the harbor yesterday.

The Eureka went out yesterday morning for Eureka.

Summer Excursions.

During the months of June, July, August and September the Ilwaco R. R. Co. will sell round trip tickets daily from all points on North (Long) Beach to all points on Clatsop Beach at rate of \$1.75. Return limit 30 days.

FAST NEW LAUNCH READY SOON

DRISCOLL COMPANY MAY TURN OUT THE SPEEDIEST SMALL CRAFT ON COLUMBIA RIVER.

The T. L. Driscoll Boat Company on Twenty-second street will soon turn out what ought to prove one of the very fastest launches on the Columbia river. The hull will be finished by Saturday night, it is expected, and the engine is now on the way and should be here within a few days. Messrs. Driscoll, Carruthers and Judd are interested in the new launch.

It is planned to enter the boat in the Fourth of July regatta at Portland if she can be got ready in time, and if the engine arrives here within a reasonable time before the Fourth every effort will be made to have it installed and every final detail completed. The Driscoll boat will be 41 feet over all in length, six feet beam, and will carry a 30 horsepower Dorman engine, ordered from Oshkosh, Wis. She will be an open boat, and it is expected that she can easily handle 30 passengers without crowding. While she is being built for speed, still, as is usual in such circumstances, everything is not being sacrificed for speed alone and there seems no reason why she should not make a first-class passenger boat.

"If the engine turns out to be as the manufacturers guarantee," said Mr. Driscoll, yesterday, "we ought to have the fastest boat of its size on the river. The manufacturers guarantee at least 25 miles an hour, and we naturally expect the boat to make that at least."

She will be copper fastened, using teak wood in the construction and will cost upwards of \$2000.

The Driscoll Company is also building a boat for P. J. Brix, the lumberman across the river. The Brix boat will be 32 feet long with a 8-foot beam and will make eleven or twelve miles. She will be out next week. There are eight men at work in the Driscoll shops and all are kept busy.

MARSHALL AHEAD HERE.

FARGO, June 25.—With at least a third of the counties to hear from Stalwart Wing of the Republican party, appears name to state ticket with possible exception of the supreme court justice.

Returns actually at hand in the senatorial race are: Marshall, 8000; Johnson, 6600; Little, 5500; Hansbrough (incumbent), 4300.

VIESCA CAPTURED.

Two Hundred Armed and Mounted Men Make the Attack.

LAREDO, Texas, June 25.—Two hundred armed and mounted men today attacked and captured Viesca, the state of Coahila, Mexico. Three were killed and several were wounded. Three trainloads of troops have been sent from Mexico City and a trainload from Saltillo. Reports here are the government believes the attack was made by bandits, but other reports claim it is the starting of a revolution.

SAYS HE KILLED CORPORAL.

MISSOULA, Mont., June 25.—James Hay was locked up in the county jail yesterday on a statement that while a private in the British Army, he had murdered a corporal named Joseph Walsh at the St. Louis Barracks, near Quebec, about eight years ago. His mind is believed to be affected.

BAPTISED JUNE 29

LA GRANJA, Spain, June 25.—The boy baby which was born early Tuesday morning to the King and Queen of Spain will be baptised June 29. His god parents will be the Prince Regent of Bavaria, Luitpold, and the Infanta Isabella.

AT THE ASTORIA AND HAGER THEATRE

LARGE CROWDS TURN OUT TO TO SEE "SAPHO" AT BOTH OF THE POPULAR PLAY-HOUSES.

ASTORIA THEATRE.

The intensely emotional play of Sapho held the boards at the Astoria Theatre last night and yielded unified enjoyment to a large and cultured audience. It is one of the plays that invokes the interest and challenges the social judgment, which retains undetermined and unexpressed until its very finale. Miss Georgia Harper made an ideal Sapho and her portrayal of the complex and beautiful study lost nothing of the depth and mystery and tenderness with which Daudet invested it. It is purely Parisian in conception, plot, detail; but rich in all the passions that swept humanity and make the happiness and misery of love—mostly its misery. It sounds all the depths and shallows of life and solves many of its enigmas, but leaves its central and most engrossing problem, woman, just where the creator left her, exquisite, baffling, alluring, incomprehensible; yet always and forever dominant. The play must be seen to be dealt with justly; and it is worth the best study that can be given it.

Miss Harper gives all her exceptional talent to the character and is very fascinating in the marvelous variations demanded of her.

She is splendidly supported throughout and especially by Mr. Jos. Detrick, as Jean Gaussin, the young, country-bred lover and genuine man.

The play sparkles with wit and humor and clever situations which not only charm one, but relieve the tension of profound interest excited by the startlingly realistic features of it. There is no lack of interest at any point and in the hands of this clever troupe, affords a delightful and absorbing entertainment for an evening or a matinee.

HAGERS THEATRE.

"Sapho," a dramatization of Daudet's celebrated novel was the play presented at the Hager theatre last night. Although the attendance was not as large as the one that greeted the company's opening play last Monday evening, still the house was comfortably filled. Miss Branscombe was in the previous play the whole show and in the part of Fanny Le Grande (Sapho) was fine. The role in this piece taken by Miss Branscombe is greatly different from her part in "The Sheriff" and in view of this fact, it gave her much opportunity to display her versatility. The gowns worn by her throughout the performance were beautiful and were greatly admired, especially by the women present. Herbert Ashton who took the part of Sapho's lover, Jean Gaussin, met with the approval of the audience. The remainder of the cast were well balanced and gave a good portrayal of their respective parts.

SITUATION IMPROVING

LONDON, June 25.—A private messages from Teheran say that the situation is improving and is well in hand. The artillery is no longer needed, but the domiciliary visits by the military will continue.

TO MARRY SOON

LONDON, June 25.—Prince Helie de Sagan, according to a statement made by one of his friends to-day, has decided to take up his residence in London for fifteen days and then be married to Madame Anna Gould in a church under an ordinary license.

JURY COMPLETED.

WALLA WALLA, June 25.—The jury in the Bud Barnes case was completed this morning and 18 witnesses for the state were examined during the afternoon and evening. The testimony varies a little from the first trial.

SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT

SOISSONS, France, June 25.—The new dirigible balloon belonging to the War Department, the Republique has made a successful initial flight here. The airship carried a cargo of 2,800 pounds, including its crew, and remained in the air thirty five minutes, traveling at an average height of 300 feet.

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"SINKING" A MINE SHAFT.

Mining engineers have performed an ingenious and gratifying feat in literally "sinking" a mine shaft near Wilkesbarre, Pa. In an illustrated article in the July Popular Mechanics Wm. C. Richardson describes the construction as follows:

"A shaft wall or caisson of reinforced concrete is being built above ground and allowed to sink by its own weight through the soft soil, in which are layers of gravel, quicksand and clay, until solid rock is struck some 80 feet below. When the rock is reached it will be quarried out in the usual way and, should not the cutting shoe find a level resting place, it will be blocked up and all the interstices poured full of cement to form a water-tight joint. The total depth of the shaft, as now contemplated, will be 800 feet.

"In sinking the shaft, the first operation was to construct a steel cutting shoe, oblong in shape, 59 ft. 6 in., by 28 ft. Its outer extremity was of 1-2 in. steel horizontal plate, 2 ft. wide, to act as a shelf for the concrete, which tapers from a width of 24 in. at the bottom to 7 in. at the top.

"First a pit, 15 ft. in depth, was dug, into which the cutting shoe was placed, the bottom of the pit being made perfectly level to receive it. The molds or forms for the concrete were erected on the shelf within the shoe and the walls built in the customary manner to a height of 20 ft. When these became sufficiently hardened the earth was dug away from within the shoe, and as the excavation progressed the weight of the walls forced the steel cutting edge gradually downward. By placing the molds on top of the hardened walls and repeating the operation, the cutting shoe has been driven down until it is expected that the entire shaft will be completed in time for coal to be mined next winter.

"In all, some 3,000 cu. yd. of concrete and 145 tons of reinforcing steel will be used in the walls, which will be carried up 15 or 20 ft. above ground, so that, even when the surrounding fields are under water there will be no danger of the river entering the shaft.

"When completed, the shaft will be divided into three sections, the first to accommodate two cages for hoisting coal, the second for a pump and ladderway, and the third for an up-cast airway. It is estimated that the cost of the shaft will be \$200,000, of

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which the concrete work will cost about \$75,000. Two powerful ventilating fans, each with a capacity of 350,000 cu. ft. of air per minute, will be installed, one for regular use and the other for emergency cases.

TRAINING FOR THE CHILD

The child of one to six is in the myth stage of literature. The one imperative is implicit obedience. This is to be taught through stories which give contact with life at many points. The questioning age is at its height at four. The myth gives abstract truths in concrete form. It furnishes symbols of moral truths. The first eleven chapters of Genesis are for the little child. Each one is another story. No mother should be without "Telling Bible Stories" by Louise Seymour Houghton. There is an art in story telling and we may have time for that later. Stories widen the circle of ideas, awaken and feed the imagination. All the evils of secrecy, lying, greed and impurity may be put out by stories. Beware during this earliest period of attempting to convey information. Moral influence is the motive required. Do not go beyond the intellectual and moral level of this period. Revel in fairy stories and myths. You are feeding a baby and convey the moral impressions without any hint of moralizing. Never tag a moral to a story for children of any age, it cancels the

hoped-for effect. Sink your lesson weighted with a good story and it meets with no resistance. The question for you is, "What emotion do I seek to produce?" Select your stories carefully. Do not invite awe, but reverence and admiration for ethical quality.

The literary material for this period is in the form of myth, fairy stories, nature stories, fables. His interests are people, animals, trees. Consciousness of self (me) comes later.—Helen Rhodes in July Nautilus.

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